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SUBJECT: IGAD CONSULTATIONS TO PRESENT DRAFT UNSC SANCTIONS
RESOLUTION

REF: ADDIS ABABA 2074

Classified By: CDA Roger Meece for reasons 1.4 B and D.

11. (C) During an August 27 meeting to discuss the Pittsburgh G20 summit, Ethiopian FM Seyoum also briefly mentioned to the Charge that he had been informed of IGAD consultations in New York regarding proposed Somalia related sanctions. Seyoum reported that IGAD members had reached a consensus agreement.

Uganda had been requested to undertake separate consultations with P3 representatives regarding the agreement, with a view to presenting a draft resolution representing the African position in the Security Council.

12. (C) Seyoum said he did not yet have the details of the agreement or draft resolution, but expected to be in phone contact with the Ethiopia PermRep later in the day. He did note that all African countries had been brought on board, including Libya, albeit with a bit of difficulty. Seyoum also opined that there might be objections from other UNSC non-permanent members, however. When pressed, he specifically mentioned Austria, at least in part reflecting EU concerns as expressed by EU parliamentarian Louis Michel.
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